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An adenovirus vector with genetically modified fibers demonstrates expanded tropism via utilization of a coxsackievirus and adenovirus receptor-independent cell entry mechanism.

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Recombinant adenoviruses (Ad) have become the vector system of choice for a variety of gene therapy applications. However, the utility of Ad vectors is limited due to the low efficiency of Ad-mediated gene transfer to cells expressing marginal levels of the coxsackievirus and adenovirus receptor (CAR). In order to achieve CAR-independent gene transfer by Ad vectors in clinically important contexts, we proposed modification of viral tropism via genetic alterations to the viral fiber protein. We have shown that incorporation of an Arg-Gly-Asp (RGD)-containing peptide in the HI loop of the fiber knob domain results in the ability of the virus to utilize an receptor during the cell entry process. We have also alternative demonstrated that due to its expanded tissue tropism, this novel vector is capable of efficient transduction of primary tumor cells. An increase in gene transfer to ovarian cancer cells of 2 to 3 orders of magnitude was demonstrated by the vector, suggesting that recombinant Ad containing fibers with an incorporated RGD peptide may be of great utility for treatment of neoplasms characterized by deficiency of the primary Ad type 5 receptor.

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Targeting of adenovirus penton base to new receptors through replacement of its RGD motif with other receptor-specific peptide motifs.

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The adenovirus coat protein, penton base, contains the peptide motif RGD which mediates binding to the integrin cell surface receptors alpha v beta and alpha beta 5. These integrins then mediate adenovirus internalization. We have developed penton base chimeras that recognize tissue-specific integrin receptors by replacing the wild-type RGD peptide motif with alpha v beta 3- or alpha 4 beta 1-specific peptide motifs. In one chimera the original haiRGDtfa motif was replaced with the peptide motif eiLDVpst which mediated chimera binding to the integrin alpha 4 beta 1. This integrin is expressed at high levels on lymphocytes and monocytes but is not expressed on epithelial or endothelial cells. In a second chimera the wild-type sequences flanking the RGD motif were altered to abrogate its interaction with alpha v beta 5 while retaining its specificity for alpha v beta 3. The integrin alpha v beta 5 is expressed primarily on epithelial cells whereas the integrin alpha v beta 3 is normally expressed on endothelial cells. The integrin alpha v beta 3 is also aberrantly expressed on certain metastatic melanomas glioblastomas. A deletion mutant lacking the RGD sequence did not bind to any integrins. Such chimeras incorporated into adenovirus virions may be useful in targeting specific tissues in adenovirus-mediated gene delivery.

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